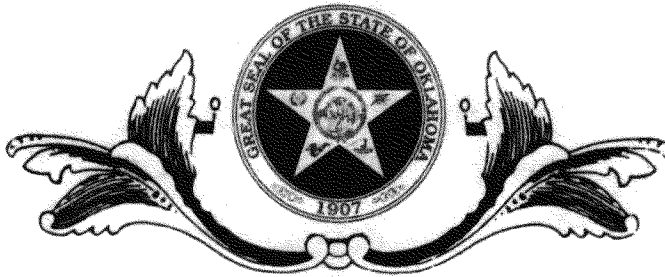


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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY
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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, the theme for Rural Road Safety Awareness Week is "What's Speed Got To Do With It;" and

Whereas, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, in 2020, of the 16,665 rural traffic fatalities, 4,717 (or 28%) were killed in speeding-related crashes; and

Whereas, we call on all drivers to do their part in promoting safe driving habits that includes being mindful of their own driving speeds, reminding others to avoid speeding, and supporting initiatives aimed at reducing speeding-related crashes; and

Whereas, it is also encouraged that municipal and local governments take steps bring awareness to the dangers of speeding on rural roads through the utilization of public service announcements, encouraging road users to reduce speeds on high-risk roads, increasing enforcement efforts, and installing warning signs in high-risk areas; and

Whereas, we recognize the critical role technology can play in reducing speeding-related crashes, we urge municipal and local transportation agencies to explore rural roads, we can prevent unnecessary fatalities and injuries and create a safer and more secure future for all Oklahomans;

Now Therefore, I, Governor J. Kevin Stitt, do hereby proclaim July 17 - 21, 2023, as

"Rural Road Safety Awareness Week"

in the State of Oklahoma

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this Eleventh day of July, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty-three, and of the State of Oklahoma in the One-hundred and Fifteenth year.

Brian Bjugstad
SECRETARY OF STATE

Kevin Stitt
GOVERNOR

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